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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the following Amendment into the above-reference case and consideration of the following Remarks.

Amendment

In the Specification:

Please replace all 101 pages of the Specification including the claims with the substitute Specification including claims enclosed with this Amendment.

In the Drawings:

Please include the Drawings submitted herewith as part of the above-referenced case.

Remarks

Applicant submits with this Preliminary Amendment a substitute Specification, as requested by the Examiner in the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed December 4, 2001, and a set of Drawings which were inadvertently left out of the filing of November 20, 2001.

In addition to the Specification having improper margins as noted by the Examiner, the Specification as filed on November 20, 2001 did not include Greek letters and symbols in the text throughout the Application. These Greek letters and symbols were, however, included in the Specification of the parent application USSN 09/518,346, filed March 3, 2000, which the present

application claims priority to and which was incorporated by reference in its entirety. Applicant submits that support for this Amendment can be found in the parent application, and therefore, the inclusion of the Greek letters and symbols in the substitute Specification does not constitute the addition of new matter.

The Drawings for this case were also inadvertently left out of the initial filing of the present Application on November 20, 2001. Again, these drawings were included as part of the parent application USSN 09/518,346, and therefore, submission of these Drawings at this time does not constitute the addition of new matter.

Applicant respectfully requests reexamination and reconsideration of the case as amended.

Please charge any fees or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

Respectfully submitted,



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